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January 5, 1869—1y.

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July 30, 1867—1y.

FALL, 1868.

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Courts; will prosecute, diligently, all applications

for the benefit of the late Bankrupt law, committed

to him.

Office in Charlestown, W. Va., at the Federal Court

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Charlestown, July 16, 1867—4t.

New Era, Martinsburg, and Winchester Times,

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DR. J. V. SIMMONS.

BEING permanently located in Charlestown, W. Va.,

offers his services in every branch of his pro-

fession. Prescribing or Narcotic Spray used in ex-

tracting Teeth.

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July 23, 1867—1y.

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DR. N. ANDERSON WARE,

OFFERS his Professional services to the citizens

of Letchum and vicinity.

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April 7, 1868—1y. F. F.

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PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON,

CHARLESTOWN.

Messages left at his residence, or at the Drug

Store of Ainsworth & Bro., will receive prompt at-

tention.

December 24, 1867—6m.

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BENJAMIN F. BEALL, Editor.

CHARLESTOWN, VA.

Tuesday Morning, February 23, 1869.

Wonderful Discovery of a Supposed Antediluvian Human Skeleton.

Day before yesterday, while the quarrymen employed by the Sauk Rapids water Power Company were engaged in quarrying rock for the dam which is being erected across the Mississippi at this place, they found imbedded in the solid granite rock, the remains of a human being of gigantic stature. About seven feet below the surface of the ground and about three feet and a half beneath the upper stratum of the rock, the remains were found imbedded in the sand, which had evidently been placed in the quadrangular grave which had been dug out of the solid rock to receive the last remains of this antediluvian giant. The grave was twelve feet in length, four feet wide, and about three feet in depth, and is to-day at least two feet below the present level of the river. The remains are completely petrified, and are of gigantic dimensions. The head is massive, measures thirty one and one half inches in circumference, but low in the occipital, and very flat on top. The femur measures twenty-six and a quarter inches, and the fibula twenty five and a half, while the body is equally long in proportion. From the crown of the head to the sole of the foot, the length is ten feet nine and a half inches. The measure around the chest is fifty nine and a half inches. This giant must have weighed at least nine hundred pounds when he was in the prime of life, and there is nothing left but the naked bones—now weighs three hundred and four and a quarter pounds. The thumb and fingers on the left hand, and the left foot from the ankle to the toes, are gone; but all the other parts are perfect. Over the sepulchre of the dead was placed a large flat limestone rock that remained perfectly separated from the surrounding granite rock. These wonderful remains of an antediluvian, gigantic race are in the possession of a gentleman who has started with it to his residence East. This gentleman, it is said, will hear all that can be said on the subject by the learned men, among whom is General Thomas. It is thought that many more skeletons will be found during the process of excavating the granite rocks in this place. Some seem to think that these remains were deposited in these strata of rocks that formed the present strata of rocks that now abound here; but this is mere conjecture. [Sauk Rapids Sentinel.]

Exit of Messrs. Breckinridge and Benjamin from the Confederacy.

There are a few facts connected with the escape of General Breckinridge and Mr. Benjamin from the Confederacy which are perhaps not generally known. After the surrender of General Lee's army, both General Breckinridge and Mr. Benjamin made their way to Florida. General B. struck the State near Monticello, where he found friends who assisted him in getting to Marion county, from whence he hoped to find an opportunity to get out of the country. General Breckinridge spent a number of days in hunting and visiting with his friends in Marion, but knowing that he could not remain there long, his friends procured a small metallic boat, in which he and his companions, Colonel Wilson and Captain Wood, and the General's faithful servant, soon found themselves ascending the St. John's river. The party, after much toil, reached New Smyrna, where they found a schooner, which carried them safely to Nassau, N. Y. The General was known as Colonel Cabel.

Mr. Benjamin also struck Florida near Monticello, where he met friends who assisted him on to the vicinity of this place. Here Mr. Benjamin hoped to find some way to Cuba, or one of the Bahama Islands; but there was a strict watch kept by the United States troops stationed here, and there were but a few boats left on the coast. But Mr. Benjamin finally procured a small boat at Monticello, upon which the ex-United States Secretary of State embarked as cook, and in a few days found himself under the protecting folds of the British flag. Mr. Benjamin passed himself off as a land hunter, named Howard. There is quite an amusing little anecdote connected with Mr. Benjamin during his stay with a friend of ours, in this vicinity but we refrain from making it public. [Florida Peninsular.]

SCARLATINA.—From the last monthly report of the Superintendent of Health in Providence, R. I., it appears that the disease has shown itself there also, to a rather alarming extent. The Superintendent says: "In the first seven days of the month there were 7 deaths from scarlatina; 8th to 14th days, 9 deaths; 15th to 21st, 10 deaths; 22d to 28th, 7 deaths; and 2 deaths in the last three days of the month. We are in the midst of an epidemic of the disease. After an almost entire absence of mortality from scarlatina for two years, it began to be prevalent early in 1868. There were one or two deaths in each month of that year until August. There were 4 deaths in each of the months of August, September and October, and 7 deaths in January. The epidemic will undoubtedly spread through the city, and will continue through the present year, growing less severe in warm weather."

He adds: "The best authorities do not consider scarlatina contagious. It undoubtedly spreads through some epidemic influence independent of contagion." But he recommends the use of carbolic acid by way of precaution, as a preventive; if not as a disinfectant.

OUTRAGEOUS CRUELTY.—A fiend, named Benjamin Posey, living on Oak Creek, Braxton county, in this State, recently drove his wife's mother, aged ninety-eight, from his house. This poor old creature started for a neighbor's farm, but perished on the way. She left her son-in-law's house on Saturday, and on the following Tuesday her dead body was found beneath a mountain path, frozen stiff, and partially devoured by hogs. There is some talk of lynching Posey, but thus far he has not been arrested.

Distillation.

The origin of this art is extremely obscure. It appears that